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1. The Free Lao forces of Prince Souphanavong, concentrated in the area around Sam Neua since the beginning of 1950, had been inactive until recently. They are now taking part in Viet Minh attacks on French posts throughout Indochina.
2. Lao troops actually make up only a small part of Souphanavong's army, the major portion of which is composed of Viet Minh forces.

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